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REPORT

CHURCHILL'S BRANDY

Jim McGuiness of the Call Bulletin, formerly with the Irish Press of Dublin, says, according to the Bay Guildsman, that a major difference between Irish and American newspapers is that the Irish tend to play down stories involving sex and crime.

McGuiness says that as a young reporter covering the British House of Commons for the Irish Press, he saw Winston Churchill, somewhat bothered by a little too much of his favorite brandy, almost casting his vote against his own party.

McGuiness thought this was hot stuff. So he shot it off to Dublin and sat back to see it get a good play. But a few days later he got a letter from his editor informing him that the Irish Press "was not interested in the drinking habits of members of Parliament."

MR. 'X' OF OAKLAND

McGuiness cites the case of an Oakland minister, much in the headlines lately, and points out that the publicity lavished on the affair had accomplished exactly the same result threatened by the pastor's blackmailers. His career and reputation have probably been destroyed.

In Ireland, says McGuiness, a man caught in this sort of scandal would be referred to simply as "Mr. X" by the papers, and those people with a "morbid interest" in the case would have to go to court to learn the names of the principals.

* * * HARRY BRIDGES

publicity given by the press to Harry Bridges' embarrassing difficulties in Reno. There was nothing wrong or scandalous about what Harry and the young lady who finally became his bride were trying to do, but the dailes leaped on the story and pounded it to death.

We applaud Harry's spunk in going to court and getting the law killed that stood in the way of marriage, and we wish Harry and his bride a long and happy marriage, however much we may disagree with him on subjects not relevant at this moment.

But just what was gained for society by the dailies giving the episodes so much publicity? How would the press have handled it in Ireland, Brother McGuiness?

Steamfitters election results are on page 4

Results of the election held by Steamfitters Local 342 on Sunday will be found in Steamfitters Notes by Jim Martin on

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue gate Pat Kelley, John Schiaof the Journal.

Crowell heads CLC To Our Reader - Owners and Mathiesen is elected to board

Russell Crowell, Cleaners 3009. was Monday night elected president of the Central Labor Council; Russel Mathiesen, Department & Specialty Store Employees 1265, was elected to the executive committee.

Crowell got 177 votes and Al-



RUSSELL CROWELL

fred Thoman, Carpenters 36, got elect.

the executive committee, Mathie- out opposition. sen got 118 votes; John Hutchinson, Berkeley Teachers 1078, got 96; and S. E. Thornton, Butchers 120, got 10.

filled by Monday's election had 342. The runoff election is being been made vacant by the resig- held today, and at tonight's And just look at the page one nation of members of Teamster meeting the installation will be locals under the ruling of the held. AFLCIO that full time officers of any local of expelled internationals are ineligible for office San Leandro seeks in State or county central hodies in State or county central bodies. Al Brown of Milk Drivers 302 had resigned from the presidency, and Frank DeMartini dency, and Frank DeMartini from the executive committee.

The newly elected two will hold office until the regular biennial election is held early next year.

Election held by Machinists 1566

International Association of Machinists Lodge 1566 election held December 11 settled con- part of the project. tested offices as follows:

President Nellie Blanford; vice to the executive committee. president Ted Pino.

Trustees Walter Alderson and Catherine Cosgrove; convention Loans to campaign delegate Clifford Preston.

Officers returned without contest were:

Secretary - treasurer Jordan Cronin; recording secretary Joe Montgomery.

District lodge delegates Ed Crunk, Don Butts, John Earl, made to the campaign against Joe Montgomery, John Schiavenza.

Conductor Ed Lee; sentinel gifts. Mike Diaz.

Central Labor Council delevenza, Charles Perine.

NEXT MEETING OF CLC ON JAN. 5; OF BTC JAN. 6

The next meeting of the Central Labor Council will be held January 5, and the next meeting of the Building Trades Council will be held January 6.

Owing to the holiday season there will be no meetings of the Central Labor Council December 22 or 29.

Nelson new BA for Milk Drivers 302; runoff for Veep

The results of the election held December 12 by Milk Drivers & Dairy Employees 302 were:

Harry Powell won the presidency for a 3-year term, getting 680 votes to the 576 cast for Harry Akers.

Earl Sharer was elected 2-year trustee, getting 750 votes to the 484 cast for John Musgrove.

Willard Nelson was elected business representative for a 1year term, getting 641 votes, 27 more than the 614 cast for Ray Cirimeli. This post was open because Al Brown resigned it and was elected without opposition secretary - treasurer to succeed Jeffery Cohelan, Congressman-

George Hunt, the other busi-In the race for the place on ness agent, was reelected with-

The vice presidency for a 3year t rm was left undecided by the December 12 election, as William Correia got 475, Ben Both the places which were Berke got 443, and Sam Palmeri

The Rev. Luther Knox of the San Leandro Lutheran Church spoke at the meeting of the Central Labor Council Monday.

He asked endorsement by the council of the San Leandro Community Memorial Hospital project, explaining that the community of 70,000 people has no adequate hospital.

Federal funds under the Hill-Burton Act will be available for

The matter has been referred

changed to gifts

At the meeting of the Central Labor Council Monday two more unions announced that loans No. 18 in the recent election have been changed to outright

(If the reader will turn to page 12 he will find a letter from a union member discussing this type of news item.)

1957 PRODUCTION AND MAINTENANCE WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES Source: U. S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics, 140 500000 MOST FIRMS can afford to grant substantial wage and fringe benefit improvements without any price increases, the AFLCIO Department of Research maintains after a prolonged study of the economic situation. The above chart shows why. Moreover, some companies whose efficiency is improving most rapidly can afford to grant such improvements to their workers and actually reduce

their prices, say the labor research people. But of course such firms spend some of the extra profits they make hiring public relations experts to tell the world they're going broke.

Building Trades Council set for legislative tussle

The Building Trades Council | money and do the work or go meeting this week was brief, ad- without needed legislation. journing early to attend to THE NEW CONGRESS Christmastide festivity, but time was taken to consider the urgency of plunging into the leg-

islative year with full power. Business Representative J. L. Childers was authorized to attend sessions of the Legislature when necessary to attend periodic conferences of the State Building Trades Council which will among other things discuss political problems, and to attend in March the legislative conference of the AFLCIO Building & Construction Trades Department in Washington.

Also, letters are being sent from the council to all affiliated local unions asking them to send representatives to the March conference in Washington.

Childers pointed out that far over 300 resolutions came before MERGER CONVENTION the recent conventions of orthem out legislatively.

The State Building Trades Labor Federation, the new over. merged group, attend to it.

But after the building trades bills are introduced the California Labor Federation will do passing. However, said Childers, cent. it is up to the building trades- SANDIA ORGANIZING men themselves to be steadily on added, but it's either spend the

MY WAGES ARE UP-BUT I AM PRODUCING MORE SO LABOR COSTS PER UNIT REMAIN ALMOST THE SAME.

On the national level, Childers said that while the new Congress which convenes early in January is undoubtedly the best we've had in years, labor and the liberals still have the Southern Democrats on their hands, and the remnant of reactionary Republicans.

But there are liberal blocs in both parties, and in the past the legislative conferences of the building tradesmen and of labor in general have proved very effective in mobilizing sentiment in Congress for action favorable to labor.

Childers cited the influence such a conference had on the Kennedy-Ives proposed legislation for regulation of unions.

Childers said that one could ganized labor in San Francisco, easily talk an hour on the sigand that many of those adopted nificance to building tradesmen require much work to carry of events at the big merger convention in San Francisco, of the State BTC convention which Council, he said, will see to it preceded it, and of the other that 47 pieces of proposed legis- labor gatherings on that historic lation will be introduced in the occasion. But he said that he Legislature during the session would reserve a report on this which opens in January. The for the next meeting of the State BTC itself will do this, in- council, which will be held Janustead of having the California ary 6, after the holidays are

He added that it should be borne in mind that both the State BTC and the California Labor Federation at their conwhat it can to facilitate their ventions raised per capita one

Louis Wilson, Carpenters 36, the alert. This will be costly he asked how things were going at MORE on page 11

Christmas Greetings and why they're especially heartfelt

East Bay Labor Journal on behalf of its owner and operator, the Alameda County AFLCIO, extends Christmas greetings to the East Bay community which by a large majority in November voted that organized labor is, and should continue to be, an integral part of that community.

We thought we were an integral and respected part of the community, and we thought the community knew it. The frustration of the efforts of one small group to prove the opposite proved that we were right and the community was right all the time.

What is good for the community is good for organized labor, and perhaps our Christmas greetings this year are even more heartfelt than usual because of the official recognition by the community that it is good for it to have organized labor in its midst.

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HOW TO BUY

More data on encyclopedias

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

ment on encyclopedias kicked Additional copies are 15 cents. off a controversy, and also brought out some useful infor- tioned by Miss Colcord is availmation for moderate - income able in one or two volumes, it called "The Distaff Democrats' families seeking values.

A helpful librarian, Evelyn Colcord of Arlington, Mass.,

"Used encyclopedias are apt to be about ten years old, and outof - date information today is very bad. Certain fields of information change almost from day to day: satellites, submarines, etc. As librarians we feel that it is important in supplementing school work to use only late and accurate information.

"Your article gave the impression that World Book is useful only through Junior High. The Library published by Educators Hart Chart lists it for adults as well as for children from seven

"The Lincoln Library, which we use a great deal, has the advantage of being accurate for children ten years and up through adult, and costs only around \$25.

"Thank you for warning people about the 'package deals' by salesmen who use all sorts of strategy. If there is a good public library which keeps its ref-erence books up to date, it is Rochelle, N. Y. But the larger much better for people to use it instead of putting money into from company agents. Nor have books which become obsolete so soon. Chain-store bargain encyclopedias also are poor quality."

Miss Colcord's advice to avoid Always a row old encyclopedias is useful. However, 1955-57 sets recently have been offered by such specialists as Barnes & Noble in New York, for about half the price of new sets.

an encyclopedia should get a reached the boiling point when copy of The Hart Chart, to it first comes into contact with which Miss Colcord refers. It the grains. It is first pumped gives price, size, strong points, over the ground coffee when it other buying facts, and evalua- is only partially heated. tion of all major encyclopedias, and is thoroughly frank in its tric coffee maker, or percolator. ratings and criticisms. You can has many enthusiastic adherget a copy by sending 35 cents ents. And the manufacturers of plus a stamped, self-addressed such appliances hold that it is

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The Lincoln Library mencontains 3,000,000 words, 600 illustrations and ten maps—about half the wordage provided by Compton's (6,500,000) and World (7,000,000). The Lincoln costs little more than some of the cheap encyclopedias sold in suin some cases, falsely advertised.

If you can't find a local agency in your phone book, the Lincoln Library is published by Frontier Press Co., Lafayette Building, Buffalo 3, N. Y.

Another recommended onevolume encyclopedia is Volume Association, 307 Fifth Ave., New York 16. It's usuable for age 8 and up, costs \$27.95, has 3,250,-000 words, 1650 illustrations, 77 maps. The thumb-index deluxe edition of Volume Library is \$33.95.

You can get a ten percent discount on Volume Library as well as some of the other one-volume encyclopedias, dictionaries and other reference, science and encyclopedias are available only we been able to find any discounts on The Lincoln Library.

about coffee!

According to the Coffee Brewing Institute, a nonprofit organization representing coffee producers and packers, the water in Any family considering buying an electric coffee maker has not

But coffee brewed in an elecenvelope to Laurance B. Hart, 14 desirable that the water not be boiling on first contact with the grains. At a cooler temperature, they say, there is a better extraction of flavor from the beans.

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To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

THE DEMOCRATS lost the election in New York State last month, but the women's division of the New York State Democratic Committe are said to have assembled, published, and distributed a very good document Cook Book."

The 48-page booklet lists recipes from 18 national - origin groups, showing a wise realization of the need for votes from all minorities. There are formulas for German sauerbraten, per-markets, which most of the English steak and kidney pie, experts feel are poor quality and Irish oyster loaf, Swedish twist, and Scotch shortbread, with, we are glad to hear, a whole chapter devoted to Italian pasta.

> ONE RICH DESSERT, the recipe for which was given by the State Commerce Commissioner (Democrat) is called New York State's Special Dessert, and an important requirement is that "each one of the ingredients must be of New York State origin."

The ingredients in question include apples, maple sugar, flour, butter, hickory nuts, and heavy cream. Sounds all right!

YOU'VE GUESSED already that among the contributors of recipes to the little book are Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Mrs. Averell Harriman, and Mrs. Robert F. Wagner.

Mrs. Edmund G. Brown might sponsor the getting up of a California Distaff Democrats' Cook Book in time for the next election campaign. Republican ladies could have a lot of fun sneaking out to the kitchen at dead of night and secretly trying the recipes.

And speaking of food and good cheer in a thoroughly nonpartisan way, here's wishing you a Merry Christmas and a happy

Men needed!

Dr. Edward Stullken, principal of a school here and a board member of the Illinois Parent-Teachers Association, believes that P.-T.A.'s are in dire need of masculine influence.

Dr. Stullken expressed his views recently at a meeting held in connection with the annual convention of the Illinois Congress of Parents and Teachers at Springfield.

East Bay Labor Journal!

Santa in Fifty-eight By EDITH McCONN

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Santa's helpers once were elves, Who packed his sleigh with toys-Simple playthings made by them For little girls and boys.

Now humming factories make for him Jet planes and cars that run. Electric kitchens for the girls, And space ships by the ton.

And Santa sits high in a house Whose towers scrape the sky, He pushes buttons, answers bells. Perhaps he heaves a sigh,

Perhaps he thinks of long-gone times When he drove his jingling sleigh through the night, the whole world o'er Beneath the Milky Way.

Perhaps he dreams of reindeer fleet And frosty skies so wide. Perhaps he asks of this strange world "Can this be Christmas Tide?"

Oregano helps in mayonnaise

Researchers have studied the effect of 32 different spices on the development of rancidity in fats and fatty foods.

Allspice, cloves, rosemary, sage and a spice mixture were outstanding in preventing development of rancidity in ground pork.

Cloves, rosemary, sage and thyme doubled the stability of mayonnaise.

Most effective spice in mayonnaise was oregano. Mayonnaise contains oregano kept for nearly six months before coming rancid, compared with a sample of mayonnaise containing no spice three weeks. None of the spices was very effective in French dressing.

Oregano, rosemary and sage were quite effective in preventing rancidity in all the foods in which they were tested. Cloves and all-spice, though very good in sausage were relatively weak in other food products.

Used to it

agent asked a woman claimant. "Didn't you suspect something when you came home and discovered all the drawers opened and the contents scattered?"

Tell 'em you saw it in the 'Not really," she replied, "I thought my husband had been looking for a clean shirt."

Detergents and the hands

Maybe you've noticed that the detergent you've been using for dishes has made little rough, red places on your hands—under your rings. Perhaps the skin on your hands has even broken out.

Most likely it is not the fault of the detergent. The one you're using probably is designed for the family wash and other heavy laundry. These detergents are called "built" detergents because they have something added to increase their cleaning ability. Usually an alkali is added. It does a good job with heavy cleaning—but if some of the detergent collects underneath your which was rancid at the end of ring setting, the alkali is hard on sensitive skin. Try rinsing off with clear water after you finish the dishes. This should remove traces of the alkali.

However, you may actually be allergic to certain detergents. If you are allergic, try different brands until you find one that

First course aid

To dress up the first course at "Why didn't you report the a company dinner, try this: mix robbery at once?" an insurance cream cheese with bits of anchovies, turn into a small bowl and refrigerate. When firm, shape into a ball and roll in minced parsley. Serve with crisp crackers and tomato juice for the first course.

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Here's what labor seeks in coming legislative year

The general attitude of California labor on major issues was outlined in statements of policy submitted by the executive council of the old AFL State Federation of Labor to the final separate convention of that body in San Francisco last week.

The recommendations include:

- Opposition to imposition of any additional sales tax.
- Pledging of support to adoption by Legislature of sound, constructive legislation which will eliminate opportunities for corruption in the field of labormanagement relations.
- Federal minimum wage of \$1.25 per hour.
- State procedures and machinery for the democratic determination of bargaining rights for employees in intrastate com-
- Opposition to importation of foreign agricultural workers under lax and harmful conditions.
- Action by State to increase maximum weekly unemployment benefits from the present \$40 to at least \$65, with other improvements in the provisions and administration of such benefit clauses, including extension of maximum benefit period from present 26 to 39 weeks.
- Action by State to raise unemployment disability insurance maximum weekly amount to \$65.
- Workmen's compensation benefits increased to minimum of \$20 per week and maximum of \$70, with coverage mandatory in both domestic and agricultural service.
- Comprehensive prepaid medical care program to provide good medical care for all, regardless of income.
- Enactment of a Fair Employment Practices law with enforcement powers, and intensified action to remove discrimination in the pattern of home ownership and occupation.
- National minimum of at least 2 million housing units a year constructed, with at least 200,000 of them for low-income groups, and an effective middleincome program.
- Federal aid to public schools. and broadening of labor education to include consumer-oriented programs.
- Full and integrated development of the State's limited water and power resources, and opposition to any efforts to escape anti-monopoly protections of Federal reclamation law.
- Advancement of world peace and freedom, and vigorous support of the AFLCIO in its consistent advocacy of a foreign policy for free people.



Harvester line-crosser tells Emeryville picket scabbing is profitable

Picket lines in front of International Harvester Company plants all over the country had been observed since the strike of United Auto Workers started November 13, say union officers, until on December 8 a probationary employee at the company's plant in Emeryville crossed the line.

The line-crosser reported to the personnel manager for work. A delegation from UAW Local Telegraphers name 76 visited the personnel manager, who insisted that "the gates are open to anyone who wished to work."

President Roy Carlson of the Harvester unit of the union said that he talked to the line-crosser, who said that he was not interested in the weekly benefits paid by the union to strikers, since he could make more by scabbing.

CHRISTMAS SEASON finds 34,640 persons on the relief list rell, Traffic. of the Alameda County Welfare same time there were 32,489, says B. Kehoe in report to Super-

NOTICE TO ALL COPE DELEGATES

COPE will reconvene in January and the time and place of the meeting will be printed in East Bay Labor Journal. Kindly refer to it each week for important no-

With best wishes, I am Fraternally, ROBERT S. ASH, Secretary-Treasurer **Alameda County COPE**

1 to exec. board

Commercial Telegraphers Local 208 has elected 11 members to the executive board as follows: Agnes Crowley and Geraldine Harris, Commercial; Wayne Gardner, Bob Kligerman, Charles Herren, Jack Weems, Kenneth Keckler, Plant & Engineering; Otis Bounds, Phyllis Crawford, Winnie Pool, Rowena Far-

misa Gomez.



RUSSEL MATHIESEN

Newly elected member of the Central Labor Council (see story on page 1) is secretary of Department & Specialty Store Employees 1265, and has long been a delegate to the council.

FORMS FOR REPORTS to be The results, sent out to all made under the new Welfare Commission. Last year at the members by President Larry and Pension Plans Disclosure better to advance labor's pro-Ross, were announced by the Act effective January 1 are avail-County Welfare Director Harold election committee: Gertrude able, Department of Labor office Lovell, Nick Theodos, and Da- at 329 Appraisers building, 630 Sansome Street, San Francisco. East Bay Labor Journal!

as California did

N. Y., Mass. merged

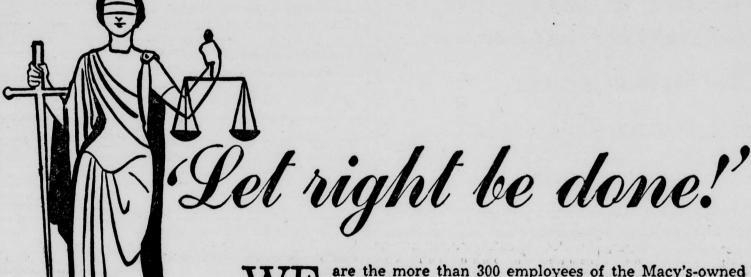
The long and painstaking task of effecting merger of AFL and CIO state organizations is almost completed with the creation of unified labor movements in three major industrial states-California, New York and Massachusetts.

The merged labor groups in these three states represent over 4 million AFLCIO members. With the creation of unified organizations in Pennsylvania, Idaho and New Jersey the task set out in the AFLCIO constitution will be completed.

The constitution made it clear that these mergers would be achieved by negotiation and agreement to assure fair and just representation of both former groups in the merged state organization.

The near completion of this complex job is occasion for congratulations to all concerned in the achievement of the 45 mergers to date for helping create unified organizations with which gram.-AFLCIO News.

Tell 'em you saw it in the



are the more than 300 employees of the Macy's-owned Lasalle department store in Toledo, Ohio. We now face a second holiday season, a second year on the picket line in defense of our unions and our right to bargain collectively.

In the beginning, more than a year ago, we asked modest improvement in wages, welfare and working conditions. Our employer - a division of the giant R. H. Macy chain - replied with a frontal attack on our very right just to sit at the bargaining table - despite a history of 21 years of fair and usually friendly collective bargaining relations.

Ever since, down the long months, Macy's has evaded any obligation to bargain with our unions by a shameful legal device — a device which was labeled by President Eisenhower as "licensing union-busting", a device which has been unsparingly condemned by fair-minded management as well as labor, a device which on its face is plainly a union-smashing tool.

To this "union-busting" purpose, the R. H. Macy Co. can bring to bear the giant financial resources of one of the nation's largest retail chains - the resources of stores owned by it in cities clear across the land from New York to the Bay Area. The Macy's that operates a huge department store in or near your own community is the same employer who is trying to destroy our union in Toledo.

By its legal tactics, Macy's has made clear its union-busting Intentions. Through its vast financial resources, it maintains an almost endless pressure to accomplish that purpose.

Our major resource in our fight to save our unions and regain our bargaining rights has been in the help of many thousands of fair-minded shoppers wherever Macy's does business.

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Steamfitters Local 342

Election of officers for the year 1959-1960 was held Sunday, December 14, 1958. Six hundred and thirty-seven members cast

Voting machines were used and these machines really expedited the results of the elec-

Successful candidates were: Executive Board, George Edwards and Roy Tinder, Sr.; Board of Trustees, C. D. Gibbon and Bill Weber, Sr.; Finance Committee, Bob Carr; Examining Board, Steamfitters, Richard C. Cox; Examining Board Welders, Matty Madison; Examining Board Refrigeration, D. A. Harrington; Examining Board at Large, James A. Lambert; Apprentice Committee, Bobby Beeson and L. C. Furman; Skilled Improvement Committee, Allyn D. Briggs and C. D. Gibbon; Bay Cities Metal Trades, John Brogan and S. R. Stevenson.

Installation of officers will be January 15, 1959, with General in our local.
Organizer Virtue as the Install- With the c served.

sentatives Lou Kovacevich, Wil-|cards to our members, this along | only a few more than a majority. and a Happy New Year.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

Through this column I try to keep you informed as to what is happening in the local. If you in the labor movement.

The AFLCIO merger convention on the state level took place last week in San Francisco. I attended the sessions along with brother Billings. For the benefit of those of you who know my CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW of those of you who know my son George, we spent a great deal of time together at the convention. He is doing good work for the labor movement as the Secretary-Treasurer of Local No. 102 BSEIU in San Diego. He asked me to convey his best wishes for a happy holiday to all the members and his friends

With the convention last week ing Office. Refreshments will be and Mildred on her vacation I waited almost too long to send In behalf of Business Repre- our usual Christmas greeting

liam Weber, Sr., Kay and Midge, with the fact that I just left a A change of two in a hundred this writer would like to wish meeting with Mr. V. Brown of would have lost the day. the Officers, Members and their the S. F. Retailers Council that families a very Merry Christmas leaves me with no alternative conduct ourselves that little peothan to inform you that I feel ple will know we offer them the we are either going to have a best hope for their daily needs picket line going or a court case to determine the legality of our NO PRICE ADVERTISING position. This is the third meeting re: the \$1.98 and \$5.95 price advertising I reported to you some time ago. This time I was asked to "OK" price advertising for watch crystals. You may have read this labor paper you can guessed who the trouble is now keep track of what is happening if you have not it is TIME SERV-ICE through the DEPARTMENT STORES.

Even with the above trouble staring us in the face I can still

Chips and Chatter

It is the time of year to take a to guess where we are going in tions Board elections. the days ahead.

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REV. DANIEL D. WALKER

It therefore means we must so those needs into constant consideration when we deal with them. We must realize that this er cooperation than ever to meet those who seek to divide us in labor as a whole.

There is a Christmas party for kids of Local 36 Friday the 19th. Bring some kids and come on

Coffee and etc.

ABC & Machinists crack candy center

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - Two AFLCIO affiliates climaxed many years of effort to bring the benefits of trade unionism to this important candy-producing center by scoring overwhelming viclook at the past and perhaps try tories in National Labor Rela-

The American Bakery and The past year has been a Confectionary Workers, charrough one in a way we were not tered by the AFLCIO after the used to; politics at the level we old Bakery and Confectionary operated on were new, and pre- Workers were expelled because sented many hard problems. We of corrupt leadership, won made it, but a hard look at facts among production workers at KPFA COMMENTATOR made it, but a hard look at facts among production workers at shows a great deal to think the New England Candy Co. by a tally of 666 to 242.

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It was a fine wedding. The best hope for their daily needs California Federation of Labor. and socalled big men must take and the California Industrial Union Council, are now one. Some of the comments put forth in the Civic Auditorium of San means realistic leadership in our own personal unions, with great-to which is the bridegroom and which is the bride.

Regardless of the misgivings and fears, California now has a united labor organization. Complete with earthquake.

Perhaps the earthquakes which accompanied both the Alameda County and the State mergers are symbolic of the tremendous potential of our merged California Labor Federation.

In any event, the nuptials are past and the living together is under way. Cooperation will be necessary to solve the family problems, and if ALL members of the labor family will put the interests of the working member first and foremost, we have a wonderful future before us.

The 1304 Machinists take this opportunity to wish all union members in California a very Merry Christmas and full employment for 1959.

to speak to Demos

Marshall Windmiller will address the Women Democrats, 15th Assembly District at their regular monthly meeting which will be held on January 5, 1 p.m. at the Democratic Headquarters, 2105 MacArthur Blvd.

Windmiller is a KPFA commentator, has traveled widely in Asia and Europe, and is the author of numerous articles on government and politics of Asia. He will talk about "American foreign policy and the Demecratic Party.'

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You are herewith officially notifled that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third December 20, in the union office, Tuesday of each month at the hour Room 102 of the Labor Temple, of 8:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12,

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance. Fraternally,

A. J. HAYES. Recording Secretary

AUTOMOBILE SALESMEN 1095

Please be advised that the next regular meeting of Automobile Salesman 1095, will be held Wed-nesday, January 7, 1959 at 8:00 p.m.

Location: Cooks Hall, 1608 Webster street, Oakland. All members should attend this meeting.

Fraternally, ALBERT R. SILVA. Secretary

CARPENTERS 1158

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Berkeley Local 1158 meets at 2108 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley on the second and fourth Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m.

Local 1158 has elected a new financial secretary, Ralph Henderson, 5507 Modoc avenue, Richmond, California. Anyone wishing to send in communications or dues can send them to him at that address.

> Fraternally yours, H. B. RICHARDSON. Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone Hall D, Oakland. TWinoaks 3-1120.

* * * **HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178**

No notice of meetings for this local until mid December. We will then give you the dope.

Sincerely, ROBERT G. MILLER.

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

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No meeting Thursday, January 1, 1950.

Next regular meeting on January 15, 1959 at 8:00 p.m. Executive Board meets at 6:30 p.m.

The Local Union Office will be closed Friday after Christmas and the Friday after New Years.

> Fraternally yours, DAVE ARCA. Recording Secretary

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Election of officers for the ensuing term will be held Saturday, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland. A penalty of \$5.00 will be levied for failure to appear to vote. November dues must be paid to be eligible to vote.

Polls will be open from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally, LES BENHAM. Secretary-Treasurer, **Business Representative**

CARPENTERS 36

There will be a special Christmas party, Friday at 8 p.m. December 19, 1958, for all carpenters and their families, under the joint auspices of Ladies Auxiliary 160 and Carpenters 36, in which the children will be our special guests. We expect to have a very fine entertainment with refreshments for

Both Friday meetings following the holidays will be cancelled. Our next regular meeting will be January 9, 1959, Friday at 8 p.m., in which the delegates to the State Federation will make their reports.

Any member knowing of any hardship cases among the carpenters and their families please notify the Welfare Committee or call TWinoaks 3-3733.

Your officers wish to take this opportunity to wish all members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fraternally yours, OSCAR N. ANDERSON, Recording Secretary

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

Meeting - Friday, December 19, 1958, 8:00 p.m., 2315 Valdez street,

Fraternally, DOROTHY McDAID Recording Secretary

UC EMPLOYEES 371

The Christmas dinner will be held Sunday afternoon at 5 p.m. December 21 at Bellini's Restaurant, 4130 Telegraph Avenue in Oakland.

> Fraternally yours, CHAS HOBBS. Secretary-Treasurer

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office will close at noon December 24 and remain closed through Friday, December 26.

The officers want to thank our members for the support given the Local this past year, and to wish a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year S. F.-OAKLAND MAILERS 18 to our members and their families.

Fraternally yours, CLARENCE SLATER, Recording Secretary

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

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The annual Christmas party for children of members of Local No. 1622 will be held at the Labor Temple, Saturday, December 20. Members with children of ages from 2 to 8 years are requested to bring them at 2 p.m. The party for children from 8 to 14 years will better accomodate the children.

The regular meetings for the month of December have been cancelled. The halls have been rented for Christmas parties at a good price much needed to help take care of expenses of the Temple.

office announced that several hundred carpenters have failed to forward proper papers or have failed hold an election dred carpenters have failed to forto give proper information to enable them to receive vacation pay. If there are any members of Local No. 1622 who have failed to receive their vacation pay they should contact the office of the financial secretary. The application for vacation payment must be filed in the Vacation Plan office before December 31, 1958, or the vacation pay will be forfeited.

Also, be sure you have your identification cards properly made out and filed at the Carpenters' Health and Welfare office. If you have not, the dependents may have trouble in collecting the life insurance as was the case in the recent death Bento Jr., Clyde England, Herof a member. His wife left in distress was unable to collect the insurance until it had gone through probate court, which takes time. Do not be negligent, it may cost you money.

Fraternally yours, MARIUS WALDAL, Recording Secretary

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Due to the Christmas holiday there will be no meeting December 26. Seasons greetings and best wishes to all.

Fraternally yours, A. R. ESTES. Recording Secretary

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Fraternally. PETE CEREMELLO. **Business Manager**

The next regular meeting of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers' Union No. 18 will be held at California Hall, 625 Polk Street, San Francisco, California on Sunday afternoon, December 21, 1958 — 12:00 NOON.

Fraternally yours, H. W. STAFFORD. Secretary

SHEET METAL WORKERS 216

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The office will be open from start at 7:30 p.m. The two different parties have been arranged to through Friday. Dues also may be paid on regular meeting nights.

Fraternally yours, LLOYD CHILD, **Business Representative**

The Carpenters' Vacation Plan Machinists 1518.

Officers chosen in the December 11 election of International Association of Machinists Lodge

President Henry L. Nunes: vice president Frank C. Daly.

Treasurer Alberta Cassero: conductor John Cazone: trustee 3-year term Frank Bento Jr.

Executive board members Clyde England, Raymond Enos, John Souza, Homer A. Swift, Bjarne Thoresen.

District 115 delegates Frank bert Goodfellow, John Lewis, Albert Pacheco.

Alternate delegate to State Conference Frank Curtis. Officers reelected without op-

position were: Recording secretary Catherine

Patricia Barge. Business representative 2-year

term Mike L. Manfredo.

Delegate to Building Association Clyde England.

Officers renamed by Bakery Workers

All incumbents were reelected by Bakery & Confectionery Workers 119 in the election held December 9 as follows: Oral Petersen, vice president; William Wagner, secretary - treasurer; Herbert Denk, business agent; Alfred Brown, sergeant-at-arms; Edward Avila, Joseph Moreira, Francis Mason, Herman Gehrke, and Alfred Brown, executive board. President Rudy Marcella was reelected without opposition. The Bakery & Confectionery Workers are not now in the

Top court upholds **Negro in bus test**

The Supreme Court Monday reinstated a suit by a Memphis Negro to bar enforcement of a Tennessee law requiring racial segregation on streetcars and buses.

The Negro, O. Z. Evers, had boarded the bus, a lower Federal court had held, to test the law, and therefore his suit was not a legitimate one.

The Supreme Court in a unanimous decision held that the fact he had got on the bus to test the law was irrelevant.

Yanks keep Barry busy as catcher

Pat Barry, Laborers 304, is glad to have back in town over the holidays his son who has been training under the Yankees.

The boy has been playing in Tampa, Florida, and has been hitting a robust .348. The Yanks have had him playing in all positions, but of late have been keeping him busy as a catcher pretty steadily.

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FEPC will be won Swanson to appeal Oakland Education 1-10 yr. sentence

Victor Swanson, former offiindividual citizens "to express cial of the Operating Engineers their concern with the shaping in the Bay Area, is out on \$5000 bail after having been sentenced tion", the California Committee by Superior Judge George F. Buck to one to ten years in San Quentin.

Swanson was found guilty of misappropriating union money. He will file an appeal.

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Board is watching election, he says

James V. Clark, chairman, personnel policy committee, Oakland Federation of Teachers Local 771, has issued the following statement:

The publications committee of the Oakland Board of Education, clearly indicated during a recent committee meeting, that the April election campaign is under way.

The committee's concern is to let all of the taxpaying citizens of Oakland know how the \$25,-000,000.00 budget is being spent, and how the \$40,000,000.00 building program is progressing. In the background, is the issue of the April elections, at which time five (5) of the incumbents come up for re-election.

• Note: There has been no annual report for several years. All of a sudden, there is a new urgency for an annual report.

• Note: During the meeting "Tribune" was mentioned twenty-seven (27) times. A Tribune reporter was present.

• Note: The timing—(certainly the schools need good public relations, but does such have to

be used as a political football?)
• Note: The best publicity for the Oakland school system is an educated child. The public wants the results to be demonstrated in its children, not in politically timed, vague, newspaper reports.

The parents and the Oakland Federation of Teachers, are committed to the election of people to the Board of Education who concern themselves with around the year publicity; as demonstrated in the Oakland educated child, and not in politically expedient publicity.

A 'last hurrah' for James Curley

Shortly after the death of Jim Curley, the United Textile Worker published the following statement by one Frank Gorman:

James Michael Curley, former Mayor of Boston, Governor of Massachusetts and Congressman, died in Boston at 8:55 a.m. on November 12, 1958. With his eloquence and sincerity, he helped us win our six-month strike in Lawrence, Massachusetts, in 1922. He dared to come and speak for us when others dared not. May he rest in peace. . . .

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more now: College

Following the national employment trend toward more highly skilled technicians, de-mand for industrial draftsmen according to Junius Kellam, industrial drafting instructor at mund G. Brown in his final De-Oakland City College, Laney partment of Justice biennial re-in California, is the new concampus.

The college is faced with an almost continual waiting list of persons anxious to enter drafting classes. Starting pay for industrial draftsmen ranges from \$325 to \$450 a month, and it is possible for experienced draftsmen to reach \$700 a month in five to eight years.

"Mathematical and mechanical abilities are important to the successful draftsman today," said Michael Bifano, drafting instructor. "Care for detail, creative talent, willingness to take suggestions, and ability to get along with others are other necessary attributes."

About 50 percent of the students are placed directly through Oakland City College each year, according to Kellam. Six have been placed recently at the Livermore Radiation Laboratory.

Draftsmen needed 1 newcomer a minute: Brown Scholarships are

opment, protection of the public from exploitation, mainteviewed by Attorney General Edport to Governor Goodwin J.

this report and thanks the retiring Governor for his cooperation.

ute, with an increase of 1,250,000 in the past two years, Brown the fast-growing State.

Responsible for uniform and adequate enforcement of the of counties, as well as numerous law, the Attorney General and repeaters. The full biennial rehis staff have been "ever vigilant in detecting and halting Statistics is reviewed separately any exploitation of the people in in the report. all the phases and jurisdiction of the State's administration." reports Brown. His report cites

products, water resources devel- River litigation, the Ivanhoe case with the United States Supreme Court unanimous decision susnance of a better social order taining the 160-acre limitation,

The newest industry, nuclear cern of eight State agencies in Brown, Governor-elect, re-capitulates the accomplishments a State level, although the Fedof the Attorney General's office eral Atomic Energy Act still has in the past two-year period in full jurisdiction over the industry.

Criminal statistics, while Pointing up the fact that the showing an increase in felonies, population increase is adding "does not mean that each crime one new Californian every min- represents an individual crimistresses the need for stepped-up who were responsible for 100 or services to meet the challenge of more burglaries before being apprehended, the operations spreading throughout a number port of the Bureau of Criminal

Tell 'em you saw it in the the steps taken in protecting East Bay Labor Journal!

Nuclear electricity and by- water resources in the Colorado offered by Elks

\$70,000 in awards will be available to boys and girls attending high schools and junior colleges in California Evalted Puler Anmand for industrial draftsmen and regaining various funds for has increased 10-fold since 1940, the State of California are re-Lodge No. 171 announces.

Any student in the graduating class of a high or college preparatory school, or in any unlution or accident catastrophe on a State level, although the Federal Atomic Energy Act still has full jurisdiction over the indusfile an application.

Exalted Ruler Stauber also announced that Oakland Lodge No. 171 is offering scholarships in the amount of \$200 for local nal," says the Attorney General's winners. He urges all qualified report. He cites several criminals schools within the jurisdiction of the local lodge to participate in the program.

Further information may be obtained from the Secretary, Oakland Lodge of Elks, 420 Fourteenth Street, Oakland 12, HIgate 4-2640, by anyone interested in the program.

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WALTHAM, Mass.—Local 1505 of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers has signed a new threeyear contract giving some 15,000 employees of the Raytheon Manufacturing Co. in a dozen Massachusetts communities 10cent an hour wage increases in each of its first two years.

The workers also get a pension plan for the first time, and hospital and insurance benefits. Both wage and fringe clauses are open for negotiations at the years. — AFLCIO News. end of the second year. - AFL-CIO News.

honor for hurricane aid

NEW YORK — The Louisiana State AFLCIO has received national recognition for its voluntary disaster and rebuilding work carried out last year in the wake of Hurricane Audrey.

A plaque was presented the state labor body by Lane Bryant, Inc., nationwide chain of women's stores, at a luncheon at the Hotel Plaza. The firm was given awards for voluntary comunity service for the past 10

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GOP Senator says party must learn to befriend labor

A GOP senator who won reelection two years ago in the very same state where Republicans took a beating this year voiced some ideas the other day on how his party could stage a comeback. Outstanding among them was this injunction to his party: Stop fighting labor!

The suggestions came from Senator Alexander Wiley, a Republican with a moderately good labor record, who triumphed in his 1956 race for another sixyear term, despite opposition from the Old Guard GOP machine in Wisconsin. That machine took a drubbing on November 4, losing virtually all state offices as well as two congressional seats.

Wiley attributed such defeats in Wisconsin and elsewhere at least partly to the fact that so many GOP candidates appeared to be campaigning against labor.

"There are better than 65 million people employed in this country and some 18 million are union members," he said. "All these people are, by and large, good citizens and good Americans, and they should be told so by Republicans."

He said "the idea that the GOP is anti-union was actually spread by Republicans."

'Unquestionably that had a lot to do with the party's defeat," Wiley added. "No Republican that I know of had very many good words for the good unions. How do you think union members reacted to that?"

Wiley also declared his party made "a bad mistake" in tieing much of its campaign to an attack on Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers. Stressing that Reuther is an honest labor leader, Wiley then deplored the fact that he didn't read of many GOP candidates "attacking Dave Beck and James Hoffa who are the real bad ones in the labor movement." - LABOR.

Paper companies fined for fixing board prices

MONTREAL, Que. - Fourteen pulp and paper companies were fined a total of \$65,000 after they pleaded guilty to violating Can-ada's Combines Investigations Act by conspiring to fix and control prices of paper board products. They also were permanently enjoined from continuing or repeating the practice. — AFLCIO

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Building Service Union head honors two brave members

Under the heading, "Two Courageous Unionists," the Chicago Federation News ran the following editorial:

Two members of Building Service Employees Local 46 have been honored by the Chicago Park District for acts of heroism this summer.

The men are Henry Malinowski, 43, an attendant at Sherman Park, and Edward Janiszewski, 51, an attendant at Marquette Park. The Park District awarded each a citation of merit and \$100 in cash. Local 46 presented them with \$50 United States savings bonds.

Malinowski was working when he heard screams coming from the Sherman Park lagoon. Fouryear-old Norman Bamberg had fallen from the casting pier. Despite a World War II disability, Malinowski ran to the lagoon. He climbed a fence on the way and pulled the lad from the solely "recommendatory." water. The youngster had gone under for the second time. He not lacking in our judicial procrevived the four-year-old by ap-plying artificial respiration. The violated, disregarded or ignored." citation said that in view of Letts also ruled that provi-Malinowski's disability "it was a sions in the IBT constitution on supreme act of heroism."

Janiszewski recued 78-yearold Philip Rizzo from the Marquette Park lagoon. Janiszewski valid." jumped in after Rizzo, got him

Park Board-made the awards.

We salute these two couraing the acts of Brothers Malinowski and Janiszewski.

Court bans Teamo convention, Official returns show Nixon pal blitzed under tells Hoffa to mind monitors

A federal court has ordered leaders whose position he upheld the Teamsters Union to drop in throwing rivals off the ballot. plans for a special convention next March intended to "get rid of" the court-appointed moni-

U. S. District Judge F. Dickinson Letts, who named the monitors under a consent decree last January ending litigation that challenged the election of James

The convention call, Letts ruled, was "null and void," and he amended the consent decree to make any further call subject funds. to recommendation of the monitors and "the final approval of the court."

Letts held that all 10 of the cleanup recommendations of the majority of the monitors were "reasonable" and that the powers of the monitors were not

He warned that "remedies are

eligibility of rank-and-file members to run for office were "contrary to public policy and in-

He directed that three memback up on the pier with the bers of Youngstown, O., Local help of others, and immediately 377 be declared eligible. The efapplied artificial respiration.

President William L. McFetridge of the Building Service tution interprets the document. Employees International Union . The three Youngstown mem--also a vice president of the bers were ruled off the ballot earlier by another federal jurist. District Judge James C. Connell geous unionists for bravery be- of Cleveland. Connell was idenyond their required jobs. We also tified in testimony before the commend Local 46 and the Chi- McClellan special Senate comcago Park District for recogniz- mittee as the alleged recipient of a silver champagne bucket as a 1955 gift from Ohio Teamsters

Connell denied receiving any gift and said he would not "dignify" the McClellan committee by getting into a controversy. An application is pending for a stay of Connell's orders.

The majority of the Board of Monitors, headed by Martin F. O'Donoghue, Washington, D. C., R. Hofa as IBT president, also labor lawyer, has tangled repeatordered the union to comply with 10 specific "clean-up" recommendations of the monitors. elections, accounting, trustee-ships and the filing of charges against IBT leaders accused of abuse of power and misuse of

> O'Donoghue was told by Judge Letts to draw up language to put into effect the full force of the decision ordering Hoffa to comply with clean-up proposals. AFLCIO News.

Certification of the election Stanley Mosk won the post of less than the seasonal amount. Attorney General against Pat Gains in defense-related metal-Hillings, Nixon's friend, by the working industries and an inhuge majority of 1,151,197.

Nixon's pal got 1,955,591.

Decline in factory jobs held less than seasonal

Factory employment in Calireturns this week showed that fornia last month declined by crease in the automobile indus-Mosk got 3,106,788 votes and try following termination of strikes offset cannery cuts.

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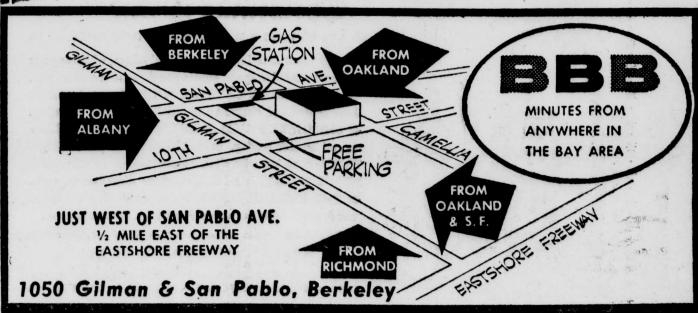
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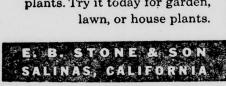
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GM profit, labor cost about equal

WASHINGTON — The labor cost of the average 1957 General Motors car ran from \$300 to \$400, or in the same range as GM's \$313 profit per auto before taxes.

The labor cost figures are part of a 314-page report on administered prices in the auto industry by the Senate Anti-Trust and Monoply Sub - committee, which had conducted intensive hearings into auto prices. It is headed by Senator Estes Kefauver (D., Tenn.).

The subcommittee arrived at its labor cost figures by computing the number of man-hours per car—roughly 130 to 140—and multiplying by GM's stated average wage of \$2.88 per hour.

On this basis the labor cost

On this basis the labor cost of the average car, including both direct and indirect production workers, "appears to be in the area of \$375 to \$400," the report said. — AFLCIO News.

Air Pilots to organize miscellaneous plane men

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Captain Stewart W. Hopkins of Atlanta, Ga., a pilot on Delta Airlines, was elected first vice president of the Air Line Pilots as the union concluded its convention here.

In other actions during the closing hours, the convention authorized an organization campaign among an estimated 15,000 test, corporation and executive pilots and crop dusters. — AFLCIO News.

Auto Workers switch to legislative halls for improvement of pensions

DETROIT — The Auto Workers will switch from the bargaining table to legislative halls to win future improvements in retirement income for union members who have already retired.

UAW Secretary-Treasurer Emil Mazey said the three-year contracts negotiated this year with the auto industry's "Big Three' marked the last time the union would be able to bargain retroactively for retired workers.

In recent negotiations with General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, Mazey said, the union "recognized and accepted the practical economic fact" that it could not "continue to negotiate indefinitely such retroactive increases in the automobile industry alone when it is not done in any other industry." — AFLCIO News.

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McGraw publishes ** Laney man's book

Oakland City College Laney Campus radio - communication instructor Robert Shrader, 1631 143rd Avenue, San Leandro, has completed a 940-page book, "Electronic Communication," which will be published by Mc-Graw Hill Co. in January.

Shrader spent three years writing the textbook, and was assisted with the editing and proofing by Emery L. Simpson, 714 Rodney Drive, a former Oakland schools radio teacher.

The publishers say that the book covers in relatively simple form the transmitting and receiving of sounds by radio, and that the work will be of special interest to persons desiring to learn the necessary theory to pass commercial radiotelephone and radiotelegraph license examinations as well as the simpler ones for amateur or "ham"

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United labor asks all locals to aid drive for housing

The AFLCIO Executive Council has issued a statement declaring that we "call on all our affiliates to give their full support to labor's drive for the enactment of a comprehensive, sound housing bill by Congress in 1959."

The statement continues:

"Discrimination and segregation in housing because of race, creed, color or national origin, are contrary to the democratic way of life and should be eliminated as quickly as possible. To this end standards should be especial interest in getting the plant organized, he said. Questions that have been raised are: what the bartains end standards should be especial interest in getting the plant organized, he said. Questions that have been raised are: what the bartains end standards should be especial interest in getting the plant organized, he said. Questions that have been raised are: what the bartains end standards should be especial interest in getting the plant organized, he said. Questions that have been raised are: what the bartains end standards should be especial interest in getting the plant organized, he said. Questions that have been raised are: what the bartains end standards should be especial interest in getting the plant organized, he said. Questions that have been raised are: what the bartains end standards should be especial interest in getting the plant organized, he said. tablished, requiring that all er supervisorial employees are to housing built with the aid of be eligible for organization. Chillegraphics or credit or any ders said that on this latter, the missioner, was adopted. It had other form of financial assistance or guarantee should be the foremen. made available to minority families on an equal basis with all other families. . . .

"The failure of the last Congress to enact a decent housing bill has placed in jeopardy the immediate future of housing in

We look to the newly-elected 86th Congress for the enactment of a comprehensive housing bill that will make up for this failure and will measure up to the mounting need for good housing which is now beyond the financial reach of most American families.

"The present critical situation demands that the next Congress enact into law a total housing program, enabling local communities to go ahead with the urgent task of programming the necessary projects for the needed middle-income and low-income housing, along with the related work of slum clearance, urban redevelopment and improvement of community facilities.

"Congress should reject all attempts to fragment the overall housing program into splinter enactments or to substitute fractional emergency measures for

"Instead, Congress should enact without delay a comprehensive housing bill. This bill should include adequate provision, without subsidies, for the moderate-income families, whose incomes are too high for eligibility for publicly-aided housing, but too low to afford the homes available in the present market. Cooperative housing is a particularly effective means of bringing good homes within the financial reach of moderate-in-

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BTC faces legislative battle

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the Sandia Corporation plant near Pleasanton. Childers replied that a meeting on the subject had been held at Pleasanton just before Thanksgiving, attended by some half dozen business representatives of lo-cals which will have men of some of the building trades craftsmen already working there. There are already about 35 employed, and the number will expand steadily.

Two of the men already employed showed special interest

All locals will be contacted by the council office on Sandia as matters come up, Childers con- President Joseph Pruss extended

SIGNAL OIL CLEARED

A letter read by BTC Secretary John Davy from the Signal anything to the fund for push- finished reading it!

ing through the "right to work" scheme, No. 18, which was defeated at the polls in November.

Letters are being sent to all affeated at the polls in November. filiated locals calling their attention to this.

CITY IMPROVEMENT

A request from Oakland Mayor Rishell that a representative their craft in the plant, and by take a place on the executive committee of the Citizens Committee for Capital Improvement was read, and Childers was authorized to take the place.

BROUSSARD CONTRACT

It was announced that Broussard Brothers had signed a council contract.

CLYDE BELL BACKED

A resolution, coming from the council was interested only in been brought up originally by the Cement Masons.

PRUSS GIVES GREETINGS

As the council adjourned, Christmas and New Year greetings to all delegates.

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Vote of Union soldiers in prison gives a hint

When the merger on the State level of the AFL and CIO took place last week it was just 3 years and 3 days since the merger on the top level had taken place. The AFLCIO News, official publication of the united movement, said editorially in its December 6 issue:

"Today, as it begins its fourth year, the united labor movement stands as a tribute to the determination of millions of organized workers that labor shall speak with a clear, strong voice in the

The AFLCIO News rightly stresses the accomplishments of the nationally merged movement during those three years:

"In its first three years the AFLCIO has successfully weathered a major political assault on the trade union movement, a severe economic recession and the internal stresses of a newly merged

It was those "internal stresses" which were evident during last week's merger sessions in San Francisco to such an extent that they got considerable featuring in the dailies. We all knew some things would come up for discussion and rather heated al guarantee of a free press. discussion, and of course they did come up.

However, it should be remembered—and some folks do fail ing to find out whether we, too, to remember it—that similarly heated discussions of the same subjects used to come up at the conventions of the separate AFL and CIO.

Then, as now, to solve some of these problems it is essential for some leaders to think of something bigger than the immediate seeming interests of their own special group. Men do rise to that sometimes.

In 1864 the Confederates wanted to see how the Union soldiers in the Andersonville prison hospital felt about the election issues in the North. So the Confederates on Election Day conducted a carefully supervised straw polling. Each of the 1200 list. The Board directed the Union prisoners in the hospital camp marked his ballot for Lincoln or for McClellan.

A vote for Lincoln meant that the war would be fought to in its union newspaper and the bitter end and that many of these poor prisoners would probably die in prison. A vote for McClellan meant the possiand conditions at the O'Sullivan bility of compromise and early peace.

How did the vote turn out? 800 for Lincoln, only 400 for McClellan!

Sin and Smog...we're agin 'em to suppress the free labor press. It also is an attempt to blunt one of labor's oldest and most

One of the resolutions adopted by our brand new California patronize unfair establishments ing employers, middlemen and Labor Federation was against smog. This may have reminded and the refusal to buy goods some of the delegates of the time Calvin Coolidge went to tions church alone and was asked by Mrs. Coolidge on his return what the minister preached about, and the taciturn President replied, "Sin." When she asked him what the minister said about it, Coolidge replied, "He was agin it."

But sin is ever with us, and it is quite important to be agin stitution and would be the sort it. Similarly, smog is getting so it is with us always, and it is desperately important to be agin it, and to take or encourage all steps necessary to kill it.

A day or so after the adoption of that resolution Professor ment." John T. Middleton, UC plant patholgist, reported that highirritant smog is damaging tomatoes, lettuce, spinach, celery, grapes, alfalfa, and citrus fruits in the Central Valley.

That vast valley is becoming a smog trap to poison and kill our food. Looks like we may ruin the earth before we blow

Filed in Wait-and-See box

Harry Bridges has announced an elaborate project for uniting all the waterfront unions of the Pacific area in one big confederation, or at least in a loose coalition, for the discussing the British naval lieutenant who, and solving of mutual problems.

Jim Hoffa some time ago announced that he intended to do what he could to unite in a big alliance on the North American continent the workers on truck, train, plane, and ship, and that Harry Bridges wasn't totally excluded from consideration in admiral in charge came the sigthe plan. Now Hoffa comes out with the announcement that he nal: intends to organize all the policemen in the nation.

These new announcements by Bridges and Hoffa we are taking out of the Incoming box on the desk, and putting in the Wait-and-See box. Every three years we brush the dust off the stuff in that box-and such interesting stuff it is!

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LABOR PRESS TO DEFY NLRB ON 'HEEL' ISSUE

The nation's labor editors freely such statements as they

Our 300 labor papers are gohave a right of free press or whether we can be muzzled by the National Labor Relations Board and prevented from reporting the facts about an antiunion employer. In this case it's the O'Sullivan Rubber Corp., of Winchester, Va.

It all started when the Labor Board ordered the United Rubber Workers of America to take Racketeers O'Sullivan Heels off the unfair Rubber Workers Union to stop boycotting O'Sullivan and prohibited the union from reporting plant are substandard and unfair to unionized plants in the industry.

The labor editors interpret this order as a direct attempt to suppress the free labor press. effective weapons, the refusal to of general racketeering, involv-

"Such an order," said the labor editors in their resolution, is contrary to the guarantee of fundamental rights in the Conof action to be expected from the rulers of a dictator-ridden country, but not from an agency of the United States govern-

As Americans, the United Rubber Workers have a right to speak out against conditions at the O'Sullivan plant. They have a right to write and to publish

An 'A' for effort

The man in Atlantic's easy chair sent special greetings to certain characters ("mostly unpublicized") who did something during 1958 to add to the happiness or gaiety of mankind. while commanding his first ship during recent NATO manuevers, rammed another vessel. Although damage was slight, the confusion in the fleet was great. From the

"What do you propose to do

entire fleet, and is taking its Vice-President again stands be-

"Buy a small farm, sir." Washington Teamster.

voted uanimously at their con- see fit to make regarding the vention to test the Constitution- continuance of their controversy with the O'Sullivan Rubber Corp., or about any other mat-

Whether the Labor Board likes it or not, we are not going to buy O'Sullivan Heels as long as they continue to fight the union. We know of no law that limits our free choice of heels.

Meantime, of course, the Rubber Workers are appealing the entire matter to the courts.

Where businessmen are crooked, union racketeers thrive, that's one of the main points made by David J. Saposs, noted economist and labor historian, in an extensive article on "Labor Racketeering: Evolution and Solutions," appearing in the magazine Social Research.

"Only certain industries, businesses and trades," Saposs asserts in his article, "seem susceptible to large-scale and widespread racketeering . . . mainly those in which not only labor others. Hence racketeering is not a labor problem but a social problem." - LABOR.

50-cake grievance

Two employees of the Hampton Baking Co., represented by Allied Industrial Workers Local 308 in Redkey, Ind., missed a drivers' sales meeting and were allotted 50 angel food cakes to sell, without their knowledge.

The cakes were ordered for them on a no return basis.

When the employees could not sell the goods the company would not refund the money due on the unsold cakes.

The employees filed a grievance and as a result were refunded more than \$24.00 for the unsold cakes. — Allied Industrial Worker.

Nixon evaporates

For the Democrats, the 1958 election results were a virtual mandate. For the GOP, the results were a strong warning.

sults of big business government York Times. and smear tactics. The Eisenhower name was revealed as now?"
The answering signal from the lieutenant was observed by the having lost much of its magic. The "new" Nixon evaporated during the campaign and the ciple. — IUD Bulletin.

You Write 'Em . . . We Run 'Em!

JOHN H. JOHNSON, a member of Automotive Machinists 1546, has sent in a letter to the editor, unfortunately too long to print in full, protesting against a two-paragraph news item on the front page of the December 5 issue of East Bay Labor Journal. The brief item stated that at a Central Labor Council meeting cheers greeted the announcement that an unnamed union had changed to an outright gift what was originally a loan to the campaign against No. 18.

Brother Johnson declares roundly that "the said article epitomized a virulent form of decadent journalism . . . De-cadent institutions depend upon decadent journalism to shield them from the natural forces which can inhibit and deny their continuing struggle for existence. The 'house organ' variety of writing just doesn't inform; it only soothes the readers who are near-somnolent. I have acquired some knowledge of your own editorial outlook, from reading many past issues of East Bay Labor Journal, and I would like to believe that you were 'out of town' when that slovenly (and/or diabolical) piece of writing got into the paper . .

The question arises, was this thing whipped out by a 'hack' who doesn't know the rudiments of his profession-or was it done that way deliberately (and by an astute minion of special interests) to withhold the substantive intelligence about the event from critical individuals among East Bay Labor Journal's readership?"

Brother Johnson thinks that the item should have specified the delegate who made the report, the union he represented, th amount of the loan that became an outright gift, and whether or not there was a record vote taken on the question of making it an outright gift. And, he asks, "why wasn't the local union, if its cancellation of the loan really is defensible as a 'good work,' identified in the writeup to receive the credit of widespread public approba-

To answer this last question first, the name of the union wasn't specified, because in the months of the campaign many unions who made loans to the fighting of 18 were not specified in our paper, for reasons obvious to anyone aware of the reprisals and rumblings of various sorts current at that time. And now, after the campaign was over, to single out this one union for praise by name would have seemed unfair to those others who for such obvious tactical reasons were not specified during the campaign.

Answering another question, the editor himself wrote the

As for East Bay Labor Journal practicing decadent journalism to serve decadent institutions, if Brother Johnson really thinks we're doing that we commend him for saying so and signing his name to it.

INTERESTING!

It is interesting to note that the one state among the 25 in which Mr. Nixon made his most subdued and least advertised appearance—New York—was the one state in which the Republicans salvaged a brilliant suc-In overwhelming numbers, the cess from their otherwise dreary voters revolted against the re- rounds of defeats. - The New

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"Make Your Worst Enemy Your Best Friend," says a notice outside a London church. "Drink place with other naval legends: fore the people as a politician Is Man's Worst Enemy," says a who puts party gain over prin- notice outside the mission hall next door.—Associated Press.